Minutes of the Park and Green Spaces Committee Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 4:00 pm At the Village Hall

Carol Coffin, Susan Dixon, Margo Kingston, Elissa Leonard, Judy Elliott and Susan Kilborn were present. In addition to today's meeting there will be one on Monday, March 14, 2016 and Tuesday May 3, 2016, both at 4:00 pm. On Monday, December 7, 2015 the boxwoods around Chevy Chase Circle will have their late fall pruning (or flocking as it is called). Anyone interested in participating in this is invited to get in touch with the Chevy Chase Village office.

Michael Younes reported on Laurel Park's upcoming new waste drain installation as well as the concerns for the stream's health running through the park. He reported that the exact date for the work to be done has not been decided but expected it to be within the next 12 months.

Elissa Leonard gave a report on the new plantings for the northwest corner of the large Triangle Park slated for Spring 2016 installation. The area will remain free of any hardscape. Please see attached drawing from the office of Lila Fendrick, the landscape architect, for details.

Carol Coffin reported on the police gathering in early August in Newlands Park. The event's name is National Night Out, and about 30 residents turned out for it. The park worked well for the event as the East entrance has been cleared for easy access. There was ice cream, soda, hot dogs to eat and fire engines, rescue squad vehicles to see as well as two County canines: one was a people sniffer, the other a bomb/drug sniffing dog. It was interesting and fun for the small children who attended. There is talk of setting the date in September next year when more families are back from vacation.

The Village staff has installed a new square wooden fence around the Betty English Garden. New plantings have been recommended by the Garden Club of Chevy Chase (please see attached descriptions) for late fall or early spring planting.

Susan Dixon and Susan Kilborn walked the area at the foot of the Buffer where there is an exit to the Chevy Chase Center. They recommended two

new cryptomeria evergreens to be planted at some distance from the three cryptomeria already planted to shield Wisconsin Avenue. Three new hollies (sp. Nellie Stevens) are recommended to be planted on the north side of the cryptomeria to add to the shield of Wisconsin Avenue traffic and noise. Plant Tone and Holly Tone are two organic fertilizers that need to be used for these plants in the autumn.

The little triangle park at Cedar Parkway and Oliver has not had plans developed yet for it. Lila Fendrick will recommend plantings for this park in the New Year.

The meeting ended at 5:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Elliott Susan Kilborn